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Dear Friend of TWF,

Since its creation in 1946, the Tennessee Wildlife Federation's ***Conservation Achievement Awards*** have recognized the efforts of those Tennesseans who make outstanding contributions to wildlife and natural resource conservation. These annual honors are given to those individuals and organizations deserving of statewide recognition for their conservation efforts.

In order to make sure the most deserving candidate receives the respective award, we are asking for nominations from individuals and organizations across the state. Any Tennessee citizen, organization or industry is eligible for an award. Nominees or those submitting the nominations do not need to be members of the Federation. A list of the awards to be presented is enclosed for your reference.

This year we have simplified the nomination process. Please fill out the form below, and e-mail to TWF at mabutler@tnwf.org or mail to the address provided. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact TWF at **615-353-1133**.

Winners will be honored at the Federation's Annual Awards Reception, to be held March 19th at the War Memorial Auditorium, Nashville, Tennessee. The deadline for submitting nominations is February 5, 2008. Award winners will be notified by March 1, 2008.

Thank you for your time and effort regarding this matter. We look forward to receiving your nominations.

Sincerely,

Michael Butler
Executive Director

AWARDS CATEGORIES

CONSERVATIONIST OF THE YEAR. For the achievement(s) considered to have made the most significant contribution to the cause of natural resources conservation in Tennessee. The action should have taken place during, or culminated in, the contest year.

Z. CARTTER PATTEN AWARD. For many years of effective and valuable service to the cause of conservation in Tennessee, including, but not limited to, natural resources management, environmental protection and enhancement, public education, public service, or political support.

LOUIS JOHN “LOU” WILLIAMS AWARD. For many years of dedicated, effective, and valuable service to the Tennessee Wildlife Federation, through its governing boards, committees, projects, or other activities.

LAND CONSERVATIONIST. For outstanding achievement in land-use, watershed and wetlands development or protection, erosion control, recreational development, habitat improvement, and other management practices tending to maintain or improve the environmental aspects of land and related resources.

WATER CONSERVATIONIST. For out-standing achievement in pollution control, conservation and protection of wetlands, estuaries and wild or natural rivers, prevention of water degradation quality through effective planning and management or other activity aimed at maintaining or improving water standards.

AIR CONSERVATIONIST. For outstanding achievement in obtaining quality air standards, reducing pollution, affecting control of pollution sources or other action contributing to significant improvement in air standards.

FOREST CONSERVATIONIST. For outstanding achievement in forest and woodlands development management or use including reforestation, preservation of wilderness areas, wildlife habitat development, fire protection, wise cutting practices and multiple-use forest lands.

WILDLIFE CONSERVATIONIST. For outstanding achievement contributing to effective management, control, restoration or replenishment of wildlife resources.

YOUTH CONSERVATIONIST. For the outstanding conservation effort by a person who had not attained the age of 21 during the contest year. Winner should have demonstrated ability, leadership and accomplishment in some phase of conservation. Youth groups acting together in a conservation program are also eligible.

CONSERVATION EDUCATOR. For outstanding achievement in educating others on conservation. Education process may be formal or informal, aimed at persons of any age or may be leadership which, by example or demonstration, aids in the education of others.

CONSERVATION COMMUNICATOR. For outstanding achievement in effectively conveying the conservation message and creating public awareness of conservation issues in the news media.

CONSERVATION LEGISLATOR. For outstanding achievement by a legislator in conservation legislation or other legislative work which took place in or culminated in the contest year. Any duly elected state or federal legislator is eligible.

CONSERVATION ORGANIZATION. For outstanding achievement by an organization for work in some phase of conservation during the contest year. May include civic clubs, conservation groups, garden clubs, women's clubs, businesses and trade or professional organizations.

INDUSTRIAL CONSERVATIONIST. For outstanding conservation achievement by a business or industry located in Tennessee. Achievements mandated by courts or regulatory agencies will not be considered.

HUNTER EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR. For outstanding service by a certified instructor in educating sportsmen through the TWRA-sponsored Hunter Education Program and for promoting a knowledge of wildlife management as well as safe and ethical participation in all hunting and shooting activities.

**TENNESSEE WILDLIFE FEDERATION
2005 CONSERVATION ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS
NOMINATION FORM**

Name of Nominee: _____

Complete Address: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

E-mail Address: _____

Award Category: _____

**Name of individual or organization
making recommendation:** _____

Address: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

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**NOMINATIONS WILL CLOSE
February 5, 2008**